

CRITICAL PERIOD FOR BRITISH LIBERALS.

Many Things May Happen Before
Parliament Meets on Next
Thursday.

MUCH DEPENDS ON A SPEECH.

What Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman Says May Have an
Important Political
Effect.

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SPECIAL BY CABLE.
London, Jan. 11.—The next few days are likely to be momentous in the history of British Liberalism.
Parliament meets on Thursday, but a good deal may have happened before then. On Wednesday Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman gives the usual dinner to members of the late Government in the House of Commons, when the King's speech will be privately read, but even before that day there will be commotion between Sir Henry and such of his colleagues as he may wish to see.

It is by no means certain that they will even attend the dinner.
As the names of the guests on such a formal occasion are always published in the newspapers, a refusal would amount to an open rupture, and could only be introduced.

Much Depends on a Speech.
A great deal is said to depend upon the speech which Sir Henry makes at St. James' Hall on Monday evening.

On Tuesday the Liberal Imperial Council meets at the Imperial Liberal Council, and a meeting of their own, with Sir Edward Grey in the chair.
If the leader of the opposition were to proclaim himself a follower of Lord Rosebery, or express his concurrence with the whole Chamberlain speech, no doubt the Liberal Imperialists would all follow him; but, as it is practically impossible for him to do anything of the kind without a fatal loss of authority and self-respect, the Liberal weather signals are cloudy.

What the Imperialists want is that Lord Rosebery lead the whole Liberal party, and that Mr. Asquith represent him in the House of Commons.
But in this there are difficulties which are seen to be insuperable.

In the first place, Lord Rosebery does not wish to lead, and prefers to occupy an independent position and address the country as a whole when the spirit moves him to do so.

In the second place, there is no machinery for electing the leader of the whole party, when that party is in opposition.
When the party is in power the choice is made by the sovereign, and the object of choice becomes, if he can form a Government, Prime Minister.

Rosebery Not Discontented.
Both houses of Parliament are jealous of their privileges. The Commons would certainly not accept a leader from the Lords. Lord Rosebery's resignation in 1896, according to all the precedents, was as long as Conservatives remain in office. There is no reason to suppose that he himself is dissatisfied with Lord Rosebery, who, during Lord Kimberley's long illness, leads the Liberal party.

In the third place, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has been unanimously elected by his colleagues in the Commons, and I suppose they might technically displace him, such a thing is utterly unheard of, and would expose the party to the decision of the world.

What Sir Henry Means.
Sir Henry's argument was that the indiscriminate farm burning and forced clearance of districts, with the consequent rack-renting of women and children into concentration camps were not in accordance with the practice of civilized warfare.
He has repeatedly explained, and perhaps more often than was strictly necessary, that he made no accusation against the soldiers, whose humanity and good conduct he has again and again extolled.

The object of his attack was the Government. He attacked them not for want of humanity, but for one of those blunders which are worse than crimes.

He is entitled to say that the Government have admitted the mistake, and that farm-burning has long been at least theoretically forbidden.

Mr. Chamberlain a practical man if ever there was one—has ordered that the camps shall, as far as possible, be broken up.

Everybody knows why these farms were burned. The motive was an excellent one. It was to stop the war.

If the opposition are not to criticize the Government for so grievous an error, they might as well come to terms.

Peace With the Army.
It is noticeable that nine-tenths of the soldiers employed in destroying these houses detested the task, but they had to obey orders. If they had refused they would have been shot.

The whole country is proud of the army. So far as I know, all the charges made against the beginning of the war against the behavior of the troops have utterly broken down, on that subject there is practical unanimity.

Outside the House of Commons there is an earnest desire among Liberals to join for joining in a general assault upon the Government, who can neither finish the war nor do anything else.

If the leader of the opposition moves an amendment to the address declaring that the Government do not end the confidence of the country, any Liberal who votes against it, or even declines to vote for it, will have to reckon with his constituents.

ROBIN ADAIR IS COMING OVER.

Famous Old English Bobtail to Be
Shown in America.

SPECIAL BY CABLE.
London, Jan. 11.—In a chat with Mrs. Priestcott, editor and manager of the Dog World, I heard many items of interesting news concerning dogs shipped, or about to be shipped, to America.

One of these is the grand old English bobtail, Robin Adair, recently purchased from Farncombe by Mrs. S. Jagger. He will accompany his new owner to America on the steamship Celtic on January 15. Mrs. Jagger intends exhibiting him at both the Providence and New York shows.

Two other dogs of fame which Mrs. Jagger has just exported are the Irish terrier, Boston Sporter, bought from Mrs. Luke, and the Shetland collie, Aladdin, bought from the Shetland collie, which was one of the sensational puppies at the Birmingham show last December, when he was bought by Mr. and Mrs. Jagger.

THROUGH SLEEPERS ST. LOUIS TO
NEW ORLEANS.
VIA M. & O. R. R.
Leaving St. Louis at 8:35 p. m. daily. Se-
cure reservations and excursion tickets at
M. & O. office, 556 Olive street, or Union
Station.

MISSOURI'S GREATEST STORE.

Barr's

DIRECT IMPORTERS.

New White Goods.

2 cases of a special fine quality Satin
Black Nainsook, only 10c.
See our bargains in French India Linen;
a special value at 12c.
Yard-wide English Cambric, a special
undergarment value, 10c.
4 cases of Silver English Nainsook in
lots of 12 yards and very cheap; \$3.49
a bolt.
60 bolts of yard-wide English Long
Cloth, in lots of 12 yards; a special
value for ladies' wear, \$1.99 a bolt.
See our new White Dotted Swiss Mullins,
selling at 25c yard.
New Lawn Swiss Embroidered Mullins
from St. Gall.
For White Shirt Waists see our Novelty
Pique at 25c.
White Mercerized Oxfords, the latest
imported variety for the stylish shirt
waist, price 25c.
White Damask Effects for shirt
waists at 40c.

Our first shipment from St. Gall of
these pretty women and embroidered
dotted Swiss Mullins in extra plain
white and white with black dots.

Laces and Dress Trimmings

All our 20c, 25c and 30c Colored Broad
Trimmings, to close out at 20c yard.
All our Colored Satin Gimps to close out
at 10c yard.
All our Black Broad Gimps of 20c, 25c,
and 30c qualities to close out at 20c
yard.
All our Black Mohair Fringe, 5 in a set,
to close out at 25c yard.
All our Black Ecru and Chantilly
Ribbons, 1 1/2 inches wide, of 25c and
30c values, to close out at 25c yard.
All our Woven Torchon Laces, 1/2 to 2
inches wide, of 25c qualities, to close
out at 20c yard.
2 to 4 inch Woven Torchons, 100 qual-
ity, to close out at 25c yard.
2 1/2 to 3 inch Woven Torchons, the qual-
ity, to close out at 25c yard.
All our Remnants in Laces and In-
sertions, Draperies, Yolkings, Dress Trim-
mings, Fur Trimmings, etc., at half
price.

Dress Goods. Remnants, Remnants, Remnants.

Every remnant of Dress Goods, including skirt lengths
and dress lengths, will be placed on the counter. Some at
1/4 off, some at 1/2 off and quite a lot at exactly half price.
Now is the time to buy. Come early for choice.

New 1902 Linens.

Linens that are fully up to the high standard of excellence always
exact by Barr's—Linens that will stand the test of laundering and
still remain "flax." Some of the best patterns are Barr's exclusively,
and not obtainable elsewhere in St. Louis.

Our Annual Clearing Sale is also now in progress. All 1901 Linens
must be closed out before stock taking. Housekeepers will find this an
extremely economical time to replenish the linen supply.

50 dozen old Napkins, all sizes, from
12 to 24 inches, to close at \$2.50.
50 yards 2-yard-wide Satin Damask, \$1.25
per yard.
60 yards 2-yard-wide Cream Damask, 50c
per yard.
200 20x30 Center Pieces, were 80c and 75c,
now 25c each, 12 yards to \$3.00.
1,500 yards Kitchen Toweling, 18 inches
wide, \$1.25, 12 yards to \$1.00.
1,000 yards 28-inch Cream Damask Table
Linen, 50c per yard.
40 dozen Hemstitched Huck Towels, 50c
per dozen, 25c each.
20 dozen Hemstitched Black Towels, 25c
per dozen, 12c each.
104 pair Hemstitched Linen Sheets, 25c
per pair, 12c each.
20 pair Hemstitched Linen Pillow Cases,
40x60, \$1.00 a pair.

Another Week for
John S. Brown's Belfast Linens, in cloth
and napkins to match, at 40 per cent less
than import prices. Come early and get
the choice of the fine goods; in sizes 25x
25 square, 25x37, 25x42 wide by 37 and 42
yards long; prices from \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50,
\$3.00 to \$10.00 each. Don't miss this very
low table.

New Linens are being received every
week.
Domestic Department.
3 cases 6-1 wide brown Boston Sheeting,
12c a yard.
2 cases soft finish Cambric, yard wide,
\$1.50, 12 yards to \$1.00.
35 dozen 42x36 Wamsutter Pillow Cases,
\$1.00 per dozen.

Corsets. Corsets.

Second week of our great Clearing Sale in Corsets.

59c Corsets, were \$1.25.
75c Corsets, were \$1.75.
\$1.00 Corsets, straight front, were
\$3.00.
\$2.98 Corsets, straight front,
fancy, were \$6.50.

Black Silks.

Men's Furnishings.

Clearing Sale Bargains.

100 dozen of Men's White Unlaundered
Dress Shirts, linen bosom, New York
Mills cotton; this shirt we sell the
year round for 50c; Sale Price 35c.
50 dozen of Men's Heavy Merino Shirts,
worth 80c; Sale Price 55c.
100 dozen of Men's Fancy Cotton Half
Hats, sizes 6 3/4, 7, 7 1/4 and 7 1/2, worth 15c;
Sale Price 10c.

Fancy Japanned Wall Soap Dish; Jan-
uary Clearing
Sale Price 3c.
See the wonderful bargains on Bargain
Tables filled with fancy decorated china
Vase, worth 25c; Sale Price 15c.
3-foot, worth 25c; Sale Price 15c.
4-foot, worth 30c; Sale Price 20c.
5-foot, worth 35c; Sale Price 25c.
6-foot, worth 40c; Sale Price 30c.
Clothing, 4 dozen 50c; Sale Price 35c.
Round Woven Hamper, good size,
worth \$1.50; Sale Price 90c.
Wood Bottom Clothes Baskets, made of
best willow.
18-inch, worth 75c; Sale Price 45c.
18-inch, worth 85c; Sale Price 50c.
20-inch, worth 1.00; Sale Price 75c.
22-inch, worth 1.25; Sale Price 95c.

Fancy Decorated English Porcelain
Tea Set, beautiful floral decorations,
consisting of 100 pieces—were
\$2.50—Sale Price \$1.49.

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American Porcelain Toilet Set, royal blue
decorations, stippled with gold, new
shapes, 12 pieces—were \$12.50—
Sale Price \$9.95.

Superior Clothes Wringer, with solid rub-
ber rolls, every one guaranteed for three
years—
10-inch roll, worth \$2.50—Sale Price \$1.49.
11-inch roll, worth \$3.50—Sale Price \$2.19.
12-inch roll, worth \$5.00—Sale Price \$2.99.

MISSOURI'S GREATEST STORE.
Barr's Sixth, Olive and Locust Sts., St. Louis.

Still Bigger Bargain News!

OUR CLEARING SALE IS AT FULL TIDE.

Choice Bargains advertised to-day will scarcely linger here
through the morrow, but until a thorough clearing of winter stocks is accomplished, new bargains will be
brought forward, and the woman who comes oftenest will be the luckiest.

Muslin Underwear.



Gowns.

48c Ladies' Gowns; good muslin, yoke
trimmed with four rows of lace insertion
and fine tucks; hemstitched ruffle
on neck and sleeves; excellent value.

50c Ladies' Gowns; good muslin; se-
lection of several styles; yokes trimmed
with embroidery insertion or all-over
tucks, high or shape neck; usually sold
for 60c.

75c Ladies' Gowns; good muslin; high
neck; square yoke, trimmed with four
rows of embroidered insertion and tucks;
hemstitched ruffle round neck and sleeve;
usual value, 90c.

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Drawers.

19c Ladies' Drawers; good muslin;
deep hem, with tucks above; regular
price, 25c.

25c Ladies' Drawers; good muslin;
deep edge of embroidery and tucks above;
such as usually sell for 35c.

25c Ladies' Drawers; good muslin;
umbrella shape; deep tuck; ruffle and
tucks above.

25c Ladies' Drawers; muslin; deep
hem; flange edged; with lace and tucks
above; good value.

40c Ladies' Drawers; fine cambric;
umbrella shape; deep hem; flange edged
with tuck and lace and tucks above;
excellent value.

50c Ladies' Drawers; fine cambric;
trimmed with scallops; ruffle and tucks
above.

50c Ladies' Drawers; good muslin;
trimmed with deep embroidered ruffle;
with two rows of fine embroidery;
such as usually sell for 65c.

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White Petticoats.

48c Ladies' Petticoats; good muslin;
deep cambric tucked ruffle; good value.

75c Ladies' Petticoats; good muslin;
umbrella shape; deep flounce trimmed
with tuck and lace.

80c Ladies' Petticoats; good muslin;
umbrella shape; deep flounce trimmed
with insertion of tuck and lace and
above; deep hem, dust ruffle; such as
usually sell for \$1.25.

80c Ladies' Petticoats; good muslin;
umbrella shape; knee flounce; trimmed
with insertion of tuck and lace and
above; deep hem, dust ruffle; such as
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